

# Thioflavin S staining

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## Detailed protocol

Thioflavin S staining includes the following steps. Dye liquor of 1% Thioflavine was prepared and sections picked out from anti-freezing solution were washed three times using PBS in 24-well plates. After washing, the PBS was completely discarded, then dye liquor was added into well for 5 minutes without light. Sections were mounted on a slide and let it dry for a while. Afterwards, slide was placed 75% alcohol about 5-10 seconds to differentiate, and sealed with 50% glycerin. Green plaques can be seen under a fluorescence microscope and the results are obvious in a aged APP/PS1 mouse. The experiment needs to be shielded from light.

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